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SECTION 1 OF 2
CITE CIA

SUBJECT: POW PHOTO INCIDENT

1. THE FOLLOWING REPORT WAS OBTAINED ON 30 JULY-1 AUGUST 1991

[REDACTED]

3. WHILE IN CAMBODIA, [REDACTED] JOINED A CLAMDESTINE MISSING IN ACTION (MIA) RESEARCH COMMITTEE WHICH WAS INITIALLY FORMED IN 1990

[REDACTED]

AFTER HEARING A VOI BROADCAST THAT THE U.S. WOULD PAY ONE AND ONE HALF MILLION DOLLARS AS A REWARD FOR FINDING THE REMAINS OF U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL LISTED AS MIA. THE BROADCAST DID NOT INDICATE THE AMOUNT OF REWARD FOR FINDING LIVE PRISONERS-OF-WAR (POW). THE COMMITTEE, COMPOSED OF 16 MEMBERS INCLUDING [REDACTED], WAS NO FOREIGN SPONSORSHIP. SOME MEMBERS JOINED BECAUSE OF THE FINANCIAL INCENTIVE AND OTHERS HOPED TO BE SPONSORED FOR RESETTLEMENT TO THE U.S. FOR SECURITY REASONS, THE MEMBERS DID NOT KNOW EACH OTHER. [REDACTED] EACH MEMBER WAS REQUIRED TO SPEND HIS OWN PRIVATE FUNDS TO DEVELOP INFORMATION ON POW/MIA MATTERS AND WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS OWN SAFETY. IN THE EVENT THE COMMITTEE RECEIVED AWARD MONEY, [REDACTED] CLAIMED HE WOULD SHARE IT WITH THE OTHER MEMBERS. [REDACTED] ASSIGNED TASKS AND PROVIDED GUIDANCE TO ALL THE MEMBERS. [REDACTED] CLAIMS NOT TO KNOW THE NAMES OF ANY OF THE OTHER COMMITTEE MEMBERS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF [REDACTED]

4. IN DECEMBER 1990, [REDACTED] TASKED [REDACTED] TO TRAVEL TO THE SITE 2 REFUGEE CAMP IN THAILAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONTACTING AMERICANS WORKING ON THE MIA ISSUE. [REDACTED] THEN GAVE [REDACTED] A BLACK AND WHITE

PHOTO DEPICTING THREE INDIVIDUALS ALLEGED TO BE AMERICANS. [REDACTED] PHOTOS OF TWO OF THE INDIVIDUALS IN THE NUMBERS AND RANKS. THE NAMES OF TWO OTHER INDIVIDUALS WERE NOT KNOWN. [REDACTED] AND INFORMATION ON MORE THAN 60 INDIVIDUALS ALIVE AND HELD IN A CAMP IN CAMBODIA. [REDACTED] HIM THE LOCATION OF THE POW CAMP. [REDACTED] THAT THE 60 POW'S HAD BEEN EVACUATED FROM THE CAMP DURING THE REIGN OF FORMER PRESIDENT (LONG) [REDACTED] INDICATE TO [REDACTED] THE SOURCE OF ANY OF HIS MIA INFORMATION. [REDACTED] PHONM PENH FOR SITE 2 IN EARLY DECEMBER 1990. [REDACTED] COOPERATED WITH HIM ON MIA MATTERS. [REDACTED] AND HIS COUSIN [REDACTED] AT HIS RESIDENCE IN PHNOM PENH. BIO DATA OF THE INDIVIDUALS IS AS FOLLOWS:

A. COL. JOHN LEITON ((ROBERTSON)), USA
NIA 10 SEP 1966

B. ((DILKESHARAD)), USN
OS 01801346 "D" ORDT
NIA 14 FEB 1964

6. [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO HAVE GIVEN THE ABOVE PHOTOS TO A COUPLE OF DAYS OF HIS ARRIVAL AT SITE 2 TO FOUR AMERICAN [REDACTED] IN WHICH WERE FEMALE. ONE OF THE MALES TO WHOM [REDACTED] GAVE THE PHOTOS WAS [REDACTED] IN ADDITION TO THE PHOTOS, [REDACTED] PROVIDED THE [REDACTED] INDIVIDUALS INFORMATION ABOUT THE ABOVE 60 POW'S [REDACTED] UNIDENTIFIED CAMP IN CAMBODIA AND GAVE THE FOLLOWING NAMES ON [REDACTED] U.S. MIA'S:

A. ((OLSONGARI))
BA 11448202 "B" METHODIST

B. ((DUGAL)) JOHN B
BA 12738803 "AB" ROMAN CATHOLIC

C. LAFORD JE
8267881 "B" CATHOLIC

6. ON 10 JAN 1991, [REDACTED] BORROWED BAHT 5,000 [REDACTED] AND GAVE THE MONEY [REDACTED] AT THE REQUEST OF [REDACTED] TASKED HIS [REDACTED] TO RETURN TO PHNOM PENH AND CONTACT [REDACTED] FOR MATERIALS MIA/POW

FROM [REDACTED] CITE CIA

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DOCUMENTS, ESPECIALLY COPIES OF FINGER PRINTS AND TAPED VOICE RECORDINGS. [REDACTED] CLAIMS HE HAS NOT HEARD FROM HIS [REDACTED] SINCE HIS COUSIN LEFT SITE 2 IN JAN 91 AND HAS NO KNOWLEDGE [REDACTED] CURRENT WHEREABOUTS. [REDACTED] HAS HAD NO FURTHER [REDACTED] IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] ALTHOUGH WHEN [REDACTED] OCCASIONALLY SEES [REDACTED] OF HIS COUSIN RETURNED TO SITE 2. [REDACTED] REPLIES, "NOT YET". [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENTLY LEARNED FROM [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] HAD MIA/POW RELATED PAPERS AND TAPED RECORDINGS IN HER POSSESSION. [REDACTED] CLAIMED THAT HER UNDERGROUND NETWORK OBTAINED THE MATERIALS FROM INSIDE CAMBODIA (UFI). [REDACTED] WAS SURPRISED TO LEARN THIS AND SURMISED THAT [REDACTED] MAY HAVE ARRANGED TO INTERCEPT HIS COUSIN ON HIS RETURN FROM PHNOM PENH AND RELIEVE HIM OF THE MATERIALS.

7. [REDACTED] HEARD NOTHING FURTHER ABOUT THE MIA/POW MATERIALS UNTIL HE WAS CONTACTED AT SITE 2 BY TWO AMERICANS ON 23 JAN 1991. ONE OF THE AMERICANS WAS REPORTEDLY FROM WASHINGTON, D.C. AND THE OTHER FROM [REDACTED]. THE LATTER SPOKE ENGLISH. [REDACTED] DID NOT RECALL THE NAMES OF THE AMERICANS. THE AMERICANS DISPLAYED NUMEROUS MIA/POW

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ASKED [REDACTED] TO IDENTIFY WHICH OF THE MATERIALS
WAS AS REQUESTED AND WAS LIES BY THE
INDIVIDUALS IN THE PHOTOS WERE AMERICANS. THE
HENCH. THEY ADDED THAT [REDACTED] HAD LIED TO THEM
AND UPSET AND ASKED THE AMERICANS WHY THEY HAD
MONEY BY COMING TO SEE HIM IF THEY KNEW THE
AMERICANS. [REDACTED] STATED HE WOULD NOT PROVIDE ANY
THE TWO AMERICANS AND SUGGESTED THEY SPEND
OUT THE TRUTH THEMSELVES INSIDE CAMBODIA

THAT HE DID NOT WORK FOR OR WITH [REDACTED] NOW
BUT KNEW [REDACTED] BETTER THAN [REDACTED] HAS
PHONED PERH FOR FEAR THAT HE WOULD BE ARRESTED
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